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Museums & Cultural Affairs

The City of El Paso Public Arts Committee (PAC)
Tuesday, February 23, 2010, 3:30 PM
City Hall 1st Floor Conference Room

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order at 3:30 p.m.
2. **Roll Call. Members Present:** Rida Asfahani, Kate Bonansinga, Katherine Brennand, Ken Gorski, Ray Parish, Amy Parker, Elia Perez, and Elizabeth Thurmond-Bengtson. **Members Absent:** Floyd Johnson and Martina Lorey. **Others Present:** Pat Dalbin, Marisol Lopez, Sean McGlynn, and Maria Aragon.
3. **Public Comment.** None.
4. **Approval of Minutes.** Chair asked for a motion to approve the minutes for meeting held on December 8, 2009. Ray Parish moved to approve the minutes as presented; Rida Asfahani seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
5. **Discussion on an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 16324, amended by Ordinance No. 17165 relating to the Public Art Program, to exclude information technology projects.** Sean McGlynn mentioned that the proposed amendment is to exempt IT projects from capital bond issuance for site acquisitions and/or computer hardware and software, as these are not eligible to fund Public Art projects. Mentioned that it was not the intent when the Public Art Ordinance was created and that the amendment will specifically exclude IT projects from the 2% requirement for the arts, protecting the construction project. Mentioned that the CAAB will review and vote on the Ordinance amendment next week, and if approved will be presented to City Council in March. General discussion about 2011 bond issuance process; public voter initiative for Spring 2011; included with tax issues and EPISD; mentioned numbers remain the same for next fiscal year (no increase or decrease); mentioned issuance will avoid one revenue source from running out in future years; keeping with national trend. No action required.
6. **Discussion on the Artists Howard Kalish and Lars Stanley for the Pebble Hills and Northeast Regional Park traffic circle.** Pat Dalbin mentioned that artists were selected through panel process from the pre-qualified artist pool. Mentioned same artists were selected for two separate yet similar projects. Pat introduced visiting artist Howard Kalish; provided a design maquette for review. General discussion with about product materials and design concept. Mentioned community meeting with stakeholders before item comes to PAC for approval. No action required at this time.
7. **Discussion on the call for Artist for the Stanton International Bridge.** Pat Dalbin mentioned this will be a regional artist initiative, perhaps mural project. Mentioned press release has gone out and provided a copy. Additional information will be provided as project moves forward.
8. **Discussion and distribution of the completed Public Art Brochure.** Publication provided. Mentioned brochure is also available online. Extra copies available upon request.
9. **Adjournment.** Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. Next meeting scheduled for March 30, 2010.

Approved for content by:
Pat Dalbin, Public Art Program Coordinator

Respectfully submitted by:
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